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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 17, 2009 in relation to the above referenced application. The Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment into the case and consideration of the following remarks. A response is due September 17, 2009, by virtue of the attached petition for extension of time and payment of the requisite fee.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those provided for in the accompanying papers are required to prevent abandonment of this application, Applicants hereby petition for any necessary extension of time. Applicants do not believe that any fees beyond the (2) two-month extension of time, are required in conjunction with this submission. In the event that any fees are due in the present application, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any necessary fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No.: 50-2283.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. The Applicant submits that these amendments do not introduce any new matter.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper. The Applicant submits that these amendments do not introduce any new matter.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.